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a batten mounted in said groove of said first post, said batten having a flange which extends over and thereby covers said first connector block.

Please add the following claims.

- 25. [Added] The post subassembly of claim 22 wherein said groove for receiving and mounting a batten of said first elongated post and said elongated T-slot for receiving a T-bolt fastener of said first elongated post are on separate sides of said first elongated post.
- 26. [Added] The post subassembly in claim 22 wherein said groove for receiving and mounting a batten of said first elongated post and said elongated T-slot for receiving a T-bolt fastener of said first elongated post are on separate sides of said first elongated post, and said groove to receive a batten on said side of said second elongated post and said T-slot of said second elongated post are on separate sides of said second elongated post.
- 27. [Added] The post subassembly of claim 22 wherein said batten further includes a fastener extending therethrough to mount said batten to said first elongated post.
- 28. [Added] The post subassembly of claim 27 wherein said batten further includes a central body positioned proximate said groove, said fastener extending through said central body, said groove threadingly receiving said fastener into said first elongated post.
- 29. [Added] The post assembly of claim 22 wherein said T-slots of said first connector block includes an open end.
- 30. [Added] The post subassembly of claim 22 wherein said T-slots of said first connector block includes at least one closed end.

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31. [Added] The assembly of claim 1 wherein said central body of said batten further includes a fastener extending therethrough, said elongated groove threadingly receiving said fastener to attach said batten to said post.